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Sent: 1/28/2022 1:47:30 AM
To: Guest, Robyn [/o=ExchangeLabs/ou=Exchange Administrative Group (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/cn=Recipients/cn=26e5a0f8a2f84bb68e24126ad4005730-guestro]; Champagne, Patrick [/o=ExchangeLabs/ou=Exchange Administrative Group (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/cn=Recipients/cn=14f379a297854978ba595e84dabea227-champagnpa]
CC: Arpin, Serge [/o=ExchangeLabs/ou=Exchange Administrative Group (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/cn=Recipients/cn=330bdc3022dd493b9e8f93c91fe189ac-arpinse]
Subject: RE: Draft response to demonstration e-mails (McKenny comments)

Thanks all, will do!

Cheers,

Ben

From: Guest, Robyn <Robyn.Guest@ottawa.ca>
Sent: January 27, 2022 5:30 PM
To: Champagne, Patrick <Patrick.Champagne@ottawa.ca>; Poirier, Ben <benjamin.poirier@ottawa.ca>
Cc: Arpin, Serge <Serge.Arpın@ottawa.ca>
Subject: Re: Draft response to demonstration e-mails (McKenny comments)

Thanks
Ben please proceed

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From: Champagne, Patrick <Patrick.Champagne@ottawa.ca>
Sent: Thursday, January 27, 2022 4:27:41 PM
To: Guest, Robyn <Robyn.Guest@ottawa.ca>; Poirier, Ben <benjamin.poirier@ottawa.ca>
Cc: Arpin, Serge <Serge.Arpın@ottawa.ca>
Subject: Re: Draft response to demonstration e-mails (McKenny comments)

Just had a chance to speak to Serge.

Only edit below:

"The Ottawa Police Service and the City of Ottawa **HAVE** invested a lot of time and resources..."

Thanks,
PC

From: Guest, Robyn <Robyn.Guest@ottawa.ca>
Sent: January 27, 2022 2:32 PM
To: Poirier, Ben <benjamin.poirier@ottawa.ca>
Cc: Champagne, Patrick <Patrick.Champagne@ottawa.ca>; Arpin, Serge <Serge.Arpın@ottawa.ca>
Subject: Draft response to demonstration e-mails (McKenny comments)

Thank you for your note. It is clear there is significant interest in the community about these upcoming demonstrations, and the city is working hard to keep everyone updated and informed throughout the weekend.

The Ottawa Police Service and the City of Ottawa has invested a lot of time and resources in preparing for this event and I would like to take this opportunity publicly to thank our planning team, which is made up of veteran officers and staff with decades of experience managing demonstrations and protests.

Our priority is to maintain the safety of members of our community and participants in the demonstrations. I have every confidence that the Ottawa Police Service, in a collaborative approach with other police agencies, federal, provincial and city partners, community organizations and the event organizers will provide a safe and secure environment in the City of Ottawa during the Freedom Convoy 2022 event. In keeping with past practice, we will be placing an emphasis on proactive engagements to facilitate communication, de-escalations and peaceful resolutions to any rising incidents.

Our planning team has been in contact with the organizers of the Freedom Rally demonstration - communication with the organizers has been productive and cooperative.

Efforts are being made to establish communications with all other groups that may also engage in related demonstrations and/or counter demonstrations.

The City of Ottawa is also helping manage what we anticipate will be significant traffic disruptions and delays in Ottawa throughout this coming weekend.

The Ottawa Police Service, and its partners, manage public safety-related issues at hundreds of demonstrations every year.

I believe that the City and the Ottawa Police Service will do their best to work with demonstration organizers to preserve the peace and minimize impacts for residents and businesses while protecting the right to demonstrate.

I encourage visitors and residents to be aware of traffic updates from the City of Ottawa and avoid travel in the city core if possible and to expect significant delays.

In terms of the specific comments of an individual Member of Council I would suggest you contact their office directly with your specific concerns.

Sincerely,

Mayor Watson